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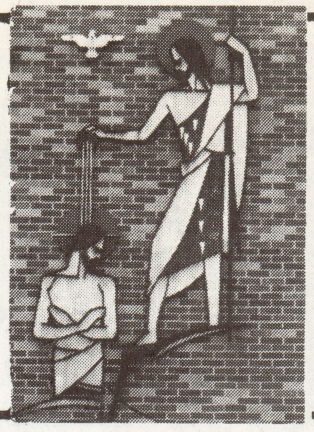


Just A Word...

by Fr. Harvey

These July summer days have indeed been warm but hardly lazy. A few developments need comment this week. **Adieu, Fr. Burns**

Bishop Kenneth Povish has honored Fr. Burns' request to be relieved of pastoral responsibilities here at St. John's. Fr. Jim will terminate his position as associate pastor of this parish on Friday, July 15, 1977. A replacement has not been named. I know many have appreciated the kindliness of Fr. Burns these past eleven months. He has felt your support and we wish him well as he takes leave of us. Fr. Jim has promised to write his farewell message for next week's paper.

Council Installed:

Following Parish Council elections held a few weeks ago, three parishioners will be among other council members who are installed for the 1977-78 year. John Dawson, Jean Eberts and Mary Tice are the newly-elected parishioners who will take their seat for the first Council meeting this Monday evening. Our sincere thanks to Cyril Corkins, Joan Gillman (this past year's president) and Owen Koch (Council vice-president) for their contributions as Council members for the past two years. A special workshop for all Council members and Commission Executive Committees has been planned for Sunday, August 28, 1977. Fr. Thomas McCloskey will moderate the workshop.

Estate Bequest:

On behalf of the parish, I accepted a check in the amount of $16,308.77, representing assets in the Estate of Eva Mae Kutzner bequested to St. John's. Mrs. Kutzner died one year ago, July 6, 1976 at the age of 89. For several years, I was privileged to take the Holy Eucharist to her home since she was not able to attend Mass regularly prior to her death. She thoughtfully remembered the parish she loved so much as she made provision for disbursement of her earthly possessions. As stipulated, some of the money bequested will be assigned to Mass stipends. The additional funds will be placed in the Heritage Fund to be used as designated by the Pastor and Council for capital improvements in the parish. Such bequests are never used for normal operational expenditures.

The new offering tables located in the church were purchased in memory of Mrs. Kutzner also. The amount of $7,003.86 will be used from Mrs. Kutzner's Estate to pay for the resurfacing of our parish parking lot. I would hope that as a sign of our gratitude to Mrs. Kutzner that everyone would offer a special prayer for her happy repose.

Project Parking Lot:

The chuck holes are gone from St. John's parking lot and all is smooth once again thanks to the resurfacing job recently completed. A new 2 inch covering of asphalt was laid at the end of last week for the price of $11,956.98. A good amount of perparational wedging was needed before the new covering could be laid because of the poor condition of the lot surface. After the new surface has had time to "cure," two coats of sealer will be applied and the lot will then be restriped. A wider curb cut will also be made at the western Cross Street entrance. The cost of the total project amounts to $14,106.98. As of this date, $7,103.12 remains in the Parish Improvement Fund. That amount plus funds from Mrs. Kutzner's estate as mentioned above, will cover the cost of the parking lot project. We hope you enjoy it!

Comedy or Tragedy???

Whatever your views are on Father Harvey's birthday, all are invited this Tuesday, July 12 to help him make it through the day. Please bring a small dessert or finger foods and we will see you on the patio at 7:30 p.m.

Parish Nuptials

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Helmer

Joseph R. Helmer and Florecita Dauz solemnized their covenant of holy marriage on Saturday, July 2, 1977 in our church before Fr. Harvey.

Main witnesses were Jay Davis, Jr. of Milan and Gloria Voss of St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

The grooms parents are Robert S. Helmer of the Detroit area and Clara Helmer of California. The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Celestino Dauz of The Philippines.

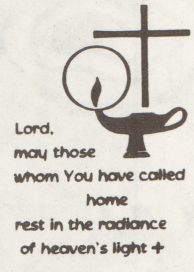
The newlyweds will reside in this parish.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice E. Pelletier

Maruice (Mickey) Pelletier and Judy Anne Horton became one in their vows of marriage spoken on July 2, 1977 in the presence of Fr. Harvey, with Michael Cowhy of Saline and Jean Tschirhart of Ypsilanti as main attendants.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Pelletier. The bride is the daughter of Mr. Donald Raymond and Mrs. Lila Raymond.

The newlyweds will live in Ann Arbor.



In the Peace of Christ

William G. Hall, Sr., age 46, died on Friday, June 29, 1977. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in our church on Saturday, July 2, 1977 by Fr. Harvey. Fr. FitzGerald, pastor of St. Ursula concelebrated the Mass. Burial followed with Military Honors in St. John's Cemetery.

Mr. Hall is survived by his wife, Olga, one son William, Jr. and his father and step-mother of West Virginia.

Roy E. Christian, age 56, died on Friday, June 30, 1977. Fr. Harvey celebrated the Mass of Christian Burial for Mr. Christian on Saturday, July 2, 1977 in our church. Burial followed in St. John's Cemetery.

Roy is survived by his wife, Ursula, and his granddaughter, Dawn Marie. His only son was buried from our parish two years ago. One brother and two sisters also survive.

May they live forever with God in peace!

Parish Festival Update

For several weeks, you were apprised of the festival being planned by St. John's. We are asking for volunteers to help in various areas. Some responses to our plea for help arrived immediately, but there is much more work to do, which if it is divided appropriately, will not be an inconvenience to anyone. We are hoping that those of you who just neglected to say that you would help in certain areas or work on a booth for a few hours that day, will come alive now and realize that there are not many more weeks before the July 17th date and that you should register your intent to help now.

An insert was included in the bulletin last month which listed all the areas of help needed. If you have lost this insert or wish to have a new one, you may find them in the vestibule of the church, or simply call 483-3360 and state your intention to work before or during the festival. Without everyone working together, we cannot have a successful project, so what each person does individually will be a great asset to the whole. Won't you consider helping us in this project?

The Festival Committee

Evenings for Parents

Isn't it sometimes a relief to discover other parents have the same problems you do? Did you ever discover that your child's problem behavior is normal for his age?

Being a parent seems at times a lonely experience. During the course of these Evenings it will be a joy to discover many other good, sincere parents. There is nothing like the support of others to provide strength and direction.

Evenings for Parents is a program designed to bring parents to a greater awareness of themselves and their children.

It's a gentle low key approach to help parents reflect upon their overall attitude towards being parents.

The Evenings are a learning experience and opportunity to gain

and affirm one's confidence in being a parent. It is designed for good parents of all children, regardless of ages.

These Evenings will be held at St. John's Catholic Church in Ypsilanti from 7:30 - 10:00 p.m., July 11th, 12th, 18th and 19th. The cost is $5.00 per couple for all four evenings - materials included. To register now call Ronnie and Bob Held 429-7495 (Saline), Lynne and Tony Comazzi, 434-3036 (Ypsilanti), or Jorun and Don Jaeger, 429-9892 (Saline).

Marriage Encounter

The next Marriage Encounter weekend will be held July 22-24 at the Hoyte Center on the EMU campus. Make the most of your summer months by taking advantage of this opportunity to know your spouse better. Please call Rob or Margie Lemkuhl at 434-5446 for information or reservations.

Young Family Needs Home. Call 482-1864 around 9:00 p.m.

Parish Council Minutes

June 13, 1977

Members Present: Fr. J. Burns, Joan Gillman, Rita Sprague, Richard Ouellette, Viola Smith, Sr. Carol Denise, Kathleen Wysocki, Carole Dyska, John Thomas, David Wheeler, Owen Koch, Natalie Bowyer, Cyril Corkins, Frank Greiner.

Guests: Eileen Tardiff, Judy Buck, Bill Ely, Don Courtois, Anne Courtois, John A. Sherzer, Kathleen M. Sherzer, Mary Ann Tice.

I - The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Fr. Burns

II - The minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.

III - Commission Reports:

A. Administration: Continuing Activity was discussed on the property disposal and the organ. Bids are being received for the parking lot work. The money left in the General Improvement Drive and the Kutzner estate is more than adequate. The fiscal year '78 budget and the education budget were reviewed and approved. The Parish high school subsidy is supported but no scholarship fund is necessary for elementary or junior high. The commission recommends that special envelopes be printed and available on a monthly basis for Fr. Gabriel Richard High School donations.

B. Education: There will be a Tuesday afternoon class and maintain the Wednesday class. The education program was evaluated and will continue as is. The turnout for the youth survey was disappointing. The Religious Education Center's Family Picnic was damp but successful.

A Natural Family Planning session will be held June 22nd. A parenting session will be offered July 11, 12, 18 and 19th. Special Education received a $350.00 donation from the KC Tootsie Roll sale.

The Area Board meeting discussed a 3-prong religious education approach of message, service and community. Parents might pay for part of the instructional materials. High School salaries will approximate $150,000.

The commission defeated a motion wherein the commission member initiating a proposal would present the proposal to the Parish Council.

C. Parish Activities: Elected to the Parish Council were John Dawson, Jean Eberts and Mary Ann Tice. 241 ballots were tallied.

A breakfast was served for 22 graduates and their families, following a baccalaureate Mass. Festival planning is progressing with small attendance at the meetings. Raffle tickets have been mailed.

D. Service: Coffee and donuts will be served all summer. The Washtenaw meeting for senior citizens decided to set up a board meeting once a month. A retreat or special Mass was recommended by the St. John's group.

Awards were given to certain members of St. Vincent de Paul. A Potluck is being planned for the Parish feast day. A birthday party is being planned for July 14th.

IV - Comments from the Floor:

The grade school children are left out of the subsidy; the high school has always been in. The high school donation envelope is not planned to be included with the monthly packet as there is some concern that there might be a reduction in the regular envelopes. The envelopes are to be kept in plain sight and be afforded some publicity. The Area School is looked upon as a Parish need.

V - Old Business:

It was moved that special envelopes be printed specifically for Father Gabriel Richard High School and be available once a month in the church. This service will be re-evaluated in May, 1978. Check-off boxes will be provided for all schools.

It was moved to amend the above motion by John Thomas and seconded by Cy Corkins to change the words "in the Church" to "in the packet." The amendment passed.

It was moved to amend the above motion by Owen Koch and seconded by Richard Ouellette to change the re-evaluation from May, 1978 to a 6-month trial basis. The amendment passed.

The original motion as amended was voted on and passed.

VI - New Business:

John Thomas moved and was seconded by Viola Smith that the budget be accepted as is. The motion passed.

It was moved by Dave Wheeler and seconded by John Thomas that we use monies from the Kutzner fund and the general improvement fund to pave the parking lot for about $12,000. The motion passed.

VII - Announcements:

A Council work day (instead of a week) will be held August 28th, 2:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and will include potluck. Teams will meet August 29, 30 and 31st.

New Council members will be commissioned at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, July 10th. The Council will meet July 11th.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Greiner,
Secretary

Intercessory Prayer

"Blessed may you be, O Lord,
God of Israel, Our Father
From eternity to eternity."

"Yours, O Lord, are grandeur and power,

Majesty, splendor and glory.

For all in heaven and on earth is yours;

Yours, O Lord, is the sovereignty;

You are exalted as head over all."

How privileged we are to be in God's family, to be under the Lordship of Jesus, King of Kings, Lord of Lords. Lord, it is good that we come to you with our needs knowing that you will meet our needs and we praise you in all circumstances.

Lord, we give to you our Parish Team and we thank you for bringing Fr. Harvey to us, for this we are grateful.

Lord, we pray for:

Our neighbors, we love them because it is written in your law;

For our sick and those in suffering, only you can take away pain and fear, do it, Lord.

For the aged, the lonely and shutins, may your love bring the everlasting light into their lives.

For the Evening for Parents program. Love, peace and God's order in a home begins in a home where God rules and dad is the head of his home serving his family as Jesus served us. Blessed be those who come to these meetings.

Lord, we need festival workers, a home for a young family, a baby sitter, volunteers for St. Vincent de Paul.

Lord we turn to you because you are God.

We thank you for Fr. Harvey's birthday celebration.

We thank you, Lord, for the freedom we enjoy from you. Not a political freedom, but a freedom from the world, freedom from ourselves, freedom from Satan's lies. Freedom to love and praise our loving and true God who is before all else that is. For in Him everything continues in being. For it is He who is head of the body, the church.

All glory be to our heavenly Father. And may his peace and spirit of the living God be with all of us now and forever.

PRAISE JESUS
David Rocha

Reminders...

Volunteers are needed for St. Vincent de Paul. We are tyring to expand our services to the homebound of our parish by weekly or monthly visits. Call Nancy DeVooght at 487-9137 if you have a few hours of free time this summer to visit.

The Closet Shop will be closed during the months of July and August and will reopen Sept. 11th.

Full time baby sitter (8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.) For infant during '77-'78 school year and/or occasional sitting this summer. Absolutely no housework - just baby-sitting. Call 482-8370 as soon as possible.

Reward

... for information leading to the return of **two Airedale Dogs,** both female. Brown color with black over back, curly hair & short tail.

Knee-high in height.

Dogs disappeared from Ann Arbor June 10th. Identification on collar likely removed.

Reward - $100 to your parish and $100 to person reporting information. Phone 761-3013. T. Helber, St. Patrick's.

Scripture Readings

Sunday, July 10th, 1977

First Reading..... Deut 30:10-14
Second Reading..... Col 1:15-2
Gospel..... Luke 10:25-37

Sunday, July 17th, 1977

First Reading ..... Gen 18:1-10
Second Reading..... Col 1:24-28
Gospel..... Luke 10:38-42

Fifteenth Sunday 10 July 1977

Samaritans are a funny breed.
They just help people in need.
Give time and labor
to be a good neighbor.
No thank-you notes required.

Mass Schedule

Monday, July 11 - St. Benedict, Abbot
7:00 a.m. - Oliver Pinsoneault, req. by Dorothy
2:30 p.m. LeRoy Arend, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Harley Schock & Mr. & Mrs. Francis William (at Parkview Nursing Home)

Tuesday, July 12 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Craig Bernard, req. by Mrs. Elizabeth DeBacker
5:15 a.m. Alma Monaghan, req. by Elizabeth Juring

Wednesday, July 13 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. George J. Max, req. by Mrs. George Max
9:00 a.m. Vincent Southwell, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Bernard McGinley

Thursday, July 14 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Edward Crawford, Mo. anniv., req. by Esther Ensign
9:00 a.m. Frances Veigel, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Prater

Friday, July 15 - St. Bonaventure, bishop-doctor
7:00 a.m. Intention of Ruth D. Brown, birthday remembrance, req. by her daughter, Barbara

Saturday, July 16 - Weekday
9:00 a.m. NO MASS
11:00 a.m. Nuptial Mass for Barry Hages & Katherine Olson
5:00 p.m. Agnes Thorp, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Durham
7:00 p.m. Wedding of Ronnie Dillion & Andrea L'Amoreaux

Sunday, July 17
7:00 a.m. For the parishioners
9:00 a.m. Fred Gillman, req. by the family
11:00 a.m. Helen McCarthy, req. by Jim & Kay Baker
12:30 p.m. Edward Crawford, req. by Ruth Crawford

Wedding Banns

III - Barry Hages & Katherine Olson

III - Ronnie Dillion & Andrea L'Amoreaux

II - Robert E. Wenzinger & Susan M. Marfek

I - David Stachlewitz & Cheryl Seabert

I - Carlos Melendez & Sharon Richards

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LITURGY

SATURDAY EVENING: ..... 5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY: ..... 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.
HOLYDAY: ..... 7:00 and 9:00 a.m., 4:00, 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.
DAILY: ..... 7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday
...2:30 Parkview Home Monday
...5:15 p.m. Tuesday ...9:00 a.m. Wednesday & Saturday

BAPTISMS: 12:30 Mass on second Sunday of each month, after Parents/Expectant Parents have completed Baptismal Catechesis. Please pre-register 3 weeks in advance.
WEDDINGS: Notify rectory 2 to 3 months in advance for adequate preparation.
CONFESSIONS: Saturday ... 3:30-4:30 ... Anytime by appointment.
COMMUNAL PENANCE ..... As Announced
MARIAN DEVOTIONS ..... Tuesday 6:45 p.m.
REGISTRATION: New parishioner - please register at the rectory. Kindly notify us if moving from the parish.
COMMUNION CALLS: The sick and shut-ins who wish to have Communion brought to them may call the rectory or convent and request it.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PRE-SCHOOL: ..... 9:00 a.m. Sunday
ELEMENTARY: ..... Wednesday Released Time and 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
JUNIOR HIGH: ..... Tuesday 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
SENIOR HIGH: ..... Released Time a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
SPECIAL EDUCATION: ..... Arrangements made.
ADULT: ..... As announced

PARISH SERVICES

BABYSITTING: ..... 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday
COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS: ..... After 9:00 and 11:00 Masses except July & August
BINGO: ..... Wednesday 7:00 to 10:30 p.m. - Open 6:30

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Members of the parish team would be happy to join you and your family at dinner. Please feel free to extend your invitation directly to the person you would like to invite.

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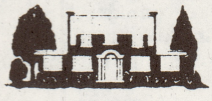

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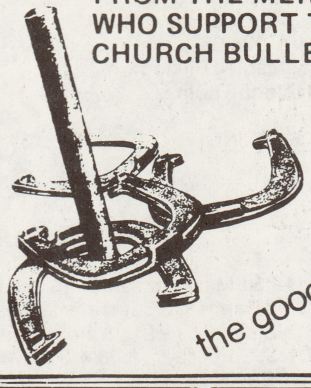

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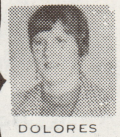

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ST. JOHN'S PARISH FESTIVAL

Sunday July 17, 1977

Have you volunteered to help with this parish activity?

The Festival Committee needs your help!

If you can spare some time to help, please call the chairperson indicated below:

Grounds Committee	Earl Herbert	483-7256
Ticket Sales	Ann Chandler	483-7255
Money Exchange	Joanne Burns	485-0745
Bingo	Mary Ellen Houle	973-9481
Food Booth	Viola Smith	482-6576
Gambling	Paul Bowyer	482-4742
Children's Games	Denise Sprague	483-7557
Drivers for Airplane Rides		483-3600

or call:

Ann Chandler	483-7255
Rita Sprague	483-3600
Rectory	483-3360

We appreciate any time you can spend in helping us to make July 17th a fun-filled day for all who attend.

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